

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, South Dakota's 66 counties provide a variety of essential public services to communities serving approximately 800,000 South Dakota citizens; and,

*Whereas*, All South Dakota counties take seriously their responsibility to protect and enhance the health, welfare, and safety of its residents in sensible and cost-effective ways; and,

*Whereas*, The National Association of Counties has encouraged counties across the country to actively promote county government programs and services to raise public awareness and understanding about the roles and responsibilities of the nation's counties to meet the needs of the community; and,

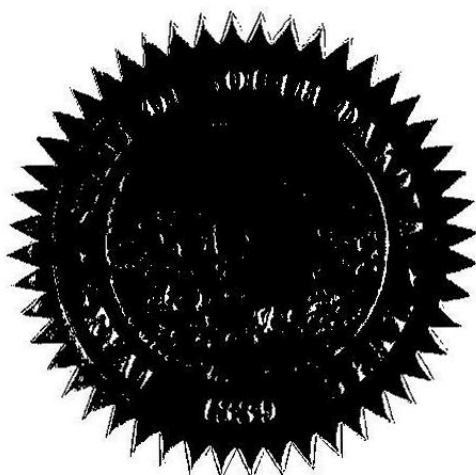
*Whereas*, The National Association of Counties and South Dakota counties are working together to restore the partnership among all levels of government to better serve the communities of South Dakota:

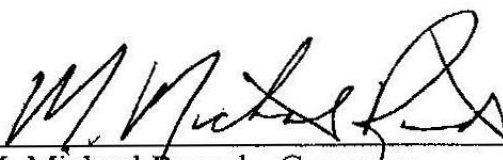
*Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim April 2010 as

### *COUNTY GOVERNMENT MONTH*

in South Dakota, and encourage all citizens, county officials, employees, and schools to participate in South Dakota county government celebration activities.

*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fifteenth Day of March in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.



  
M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

  
Chris Nelson, Secretary of State